# INSECTS BRED FROM CULTIVATED AND ORNAMENTAL PLANTS IN NETHERLANDS NEW GUINEA

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Insects from cultivated and ornamental plants were collected during the last three years. The larvae were bred in small cages  $(23 \times 25 \times 45 \text{ cm.})$ . The cages had a bottom of hardboard, three sides and the top of plastic mosquito gauze, the fourth side being of glass. These cages were placed in our field laboratory which has a roof of corrugated iron and glass, and no walls.

During the breeding it was established that the insects mentioned in the following list were actually feeding on the recorded foodplants.

In the following list the insects are arranged alphabetically after the family names of the foodplants. After the latin name of the insect follows an indication showing which part of the plant is attacked, and the extent of the injury.

The plants were identified by the AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH STATION. The butterflies were named by myself after SEITZ' "Macrolepidoptera of the World".

## AMARANTHACEAE

Amaranthus hybridus L. and A. spinosus L.

Hymenia fascialis Cr. (Pyralidae), leaves, occasional.

Gomphrena globosa L.

Hymenia fascialis Cr. (Pyralidae), leaves, occasional.

## AMARYLLIDACEAE

Crinum asiaticum L.

Calogramma festiva Don. (Noctuidae), leaves, occasional.

#### ANACARDIACEAE

Mangifera sp.

Bombotelia jocosatrix Gn. (Noctuidae) leaves, occasional. Homona trachyptera Diak. (Tortricidae), leaves, common.

## ANNONACEAE

Annona muricata L.

Oribius improvidus Marsh. (Curculionidae), leaves, serious. Papilio agamemnon L. (Papilionidae), leaves, occasional. Papilo macfarlanei Butl. (Papilionidae), leaves, occasional.

### **APOCYNACEAE**

Alstonia scholaris R.Br.

Deilephila placida Wkr. (Sphingidae), leaves, occasional. Glyphodes sp. (Pyralidae), leaves, occasional.

## ARACEAE

Colocasia esculenta Schott.

Papuana semistriata Arrow (Dynastidae), tubers, local. Prodenia litura F. (Noctuidae), leaves, sometimes serious. Hippotion celerio L. (Sphingidae), leaves, moderate. Theretra cajus oldenlandiae F. (Sphingidae), leaves, occasional.

## ASCLEPIADACEAE

Asclepias curassavica L.

Danaida archippus F. (Danaidae), whole plant, occasional.

## BIGNONIACEAE

Stenolobium stans Seem.

Psilogamma menephron casuarinae Btl. (Sphingidae), leaves, occasional.

## CAESALPINIACEAE

Cassia alata L. and C. sophora L.

Catopsilia crocale Cr. (Pieridae), leaves, common.
Cryptophlebia ombrodelta Low. (Tortricidae), pods, common.

## CONVOLVULACEAE

Ipomoea batatas Poir.

Aspidomorpha punctum F. (Cassididae), leaves, common.
Aspidomorpha sp. near punctum F. (Cassididae), leaves, common.
Cassida trivittata F. (Cassididae), leaves, common.
Cylas formicarius F. (Curculionidae), tubers, common.
Herse convolvuli L. (Sphingidae), leaves, moderate.
Precis villida God. (Nymphalidae), leaves, occasional.

Ipomoea pes-tigridis L.

Herse convolvuli L. (Sphingidae), leaves, occasional.

## CUCURBITACEAE

Cucumis sativus L.

Diaphania indica Saund. (Pyralidae), leaves, moderate.

## DIOSCOREACEAE

Dioscorea spp.

Theretra nessus Dry. (Sphingidae), leaves, occasional.

## EUPHORBIACEAE

Endospermum sp.

Nyctalemon patroclus kotzenbergi L. (Uraniidae), leaves, rare.

Ricinus communis L.

Achaea janata L. (Noctuidae), leaves, serious. Homona trachyptera Diak. (Tortricidae), leaves, serious. Prodenia litura F. (Noctuidae), leaves, occasional.

## GRAMINEAE

Andropogon sorghum Brot.

Hippotion brennus Stoll. (Sphingidae), leaves, rare. Mampava bipunctella Rag. (Pyralidae), stem, moderate. Prodenia litura F. (Noctuidae), leaves, moderate.

Oryza sativa L.

Chilo oryzae Fletcher (sens.lat.) (Pyralidae), stem, occasional. Laphygma sp. (Noctuidae), leaves, local.

Zea mays L.

Hedylepta diemenalis Gn. (Pyralidae), stem, moderate. Heliothis armigera Hbn. (Noctuidae), flowers, moderate. Lampides sp. (Lycaenidae), leaves, occasional. Laphygma exempta Wlk. (Noctuidae), leaves, occasional. Parnara moolata Wlk. (Hesperidae), leaves, occasional. Pyrausta salentialis Snell. (Pyralidae), stem, very serious. Spodoptera mauritia Boisd. (Noctuidae), cobs, serious.

## MALVACEAE

Hibiscus rosa-sinensis L.

Anomis flava F. (Noctuidae), leaves, occasional. Syllepta derogata F. (Pyralidae), leaves, moderate.

#### MIMOSACEAE

Acacia albida Delile.

Eumeta sp. (Psychidae), leaves, serious.

Acacia farnesiana Willd.

Cryptophlebia ombrodelta Low. (Tortricidae), pods, serious.

Leucaena glauca Bth.

Eumeta sp. (Psychidae), leaves, serious.

## MORACEAE

Artocarpus communis Forst.

Batocera wallacei Thoms. (Cerambycidae), stem, occasional.

## ORCHIDACEAE

Dendrobium sp.

Pseudonotis danisoides Nicév. (Lycaenidae), flowers, common.

## PALMAE

Cocos nucifera L.

Oryctes rhinoceros L. (Dynastidae), coconut shoots, local.

Scapanes australis Boisd. (Dynastidae), coconut shoots, not serious, common.

Telicota bambusae Swh. (Hesperidae), leaves, common.

Tirathaba ignivena Hpms. (Pyralidae), leaves and young nuts, local.

#### PAPILIONACEAE

Crotalaria sp.

Argina cribaria Cl. (Arctiidae), leaves, common.

Heliothis armigera Hbn. (Noctuidae), leaves, common.

Laspeyresia pseudonectis Meyr. (Tortricidae), leaves, occasional.

Utetheisa lotrix Cram. (Arctiidae), leaves, common.

# Glycine max Merr.

Cryptophlebia ombrodelta Low. (Tortricidae), stem, occasional. Epilachna signatipennis Boisd. (Coccinellidae), leaves, common. Hedylepta diemenalis Gn. (Pyralidae), leaves, occasional. Lampides sp. (Lycaenidae), leaves, moderate. Utetheisa lotrix Cram. (Arctiidae), leaves, common.

# Indigofera spp.

Dichomeris sp. (Gelechiidae), leaves, occasional.

Lampides sp. (Lycaenidae), leaves, occasional.

Prodenia litura F. (Noctuidae), leaves, serious.

Thermesia rubricans Bdv. (Noctuidae), leaves, occasional.

## Phaseolus spp.

Creatonotus gangis L. (Arctiidae), leaves, moderate.

Epilachna signatipennis Boisd. (Coccinellidae), leaves, common.

Hedylepta diemenalis Gn. (Pyralidae), leaves, moderate.

Heliothis armigera Hbn. (Noctuidae), leaves, moderate.

Lampides sp. (Lycaenidae), leaves, occasional.

Laphygma sp. (Noctuidae), leaves, occasional.

Maruca testulalis Gey. (Pyralidae), flowers and pods, occasional.

Plusia chalsites Esp. (Noctuidae), leaves, common.

Prodenia litura F. (Noctuidae), leaves, serious.

Spodoptera mauritia Boisd. (Noctuidae), leaves, serious.

Thermesia rubricans Bdv. (Noctuidae), leaves and pods, serious.

Agromyza phaseoli Coq. (Agromyzidae), caudex, serious.

## Sesbania spp.

Cryptophlebia ombrodelta Low. (Tortricidae), stem, occasional. Heliothis armigera Hbn. (Noctuidae), flowers and pods, common. Homona trachyptera Diak. (Tortricidae), leaves, occasional. Lampides sp. (Lycaenidae), leaves, moderate. Maruca testulalis Gey. (Pyralidae), flowers, common. Terias hecabe L. (Pieridae), leaves, common.

## Tephrosia vogelii Hook.

Maruca testulalis Gey. (Pyralidae), flowers, common. Pyrausta ?ceoderalis Wlk. (Pyralidae), stem, occasional.

# Vigna sinensis Endl.

Lampides sp. (Lycaenidae), leaves, occasional.

Maruca testulalis Gey. (Pyralidae), flowers, occasional.

Thermesia rubricans Bdv. (Noctuidae), leaves and pods, serious.

Ythma sp. (Satyridae), leaves, moderate.

## RUBIACEAE

Coffea sp.

Eumeta sp. (Psychidae), leaves, occasional. Homona trachyptera Diak. (Tortricidae), leaves, occasional.

#### RUTACEAE

Citrus spp.

Adoxophyes templana Pag. (Tortricidae), leaves, serious. Adoxophyes spec. (Tortricidae), leaves, moderate.

Homona mermerodes Meyr. (Tortricidae), leaves, serious. Homona trachyptera Diak. (Tortricidae), leaves, serious. Papilio aegeus Donovan (Papilionidae), leaves, common. Papilio ambrax Boisduval (Papilionidae), leaves, occasional. Paradichelia spec. (Tortricidae), leaves, moderate.

## SOLANACEAE

Solanum melongena L.

Epilachna guttato-pustulata Fabr. (Coccinellidae), leaves, occasional.

Solanum tuberosum L.

Heliothis armigera Hbn. (Noctuidae), fruits, moderate.

## STERCULIACEAE

Theobroma cacao L.

Amatissa sp. (Psychidae), leaves, occasional.

Eumeta crameri Westw. (Psychidae), leaves, occasional.

Heliothis armigera Hbn. (Noctuidae), leaves, moderate.

Lepidiota sp. near vogeli Brske. (Melolonthidae), roots, local serious.

Pagodia hekmeyeri Heyl. (Psychidae), leaves, occasional.

Pansepta teleturga Meyr. (Xylorictidae), bark, local.

## VERBENACEAE

Tectona grandis L.

Hyblaea puera Cram. (Noctuidae), leaves, serious. Prodenia litura F. (Noctuidae), leaves, serious.

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